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MUSIC APPRECIATION
BY UNITED STATES MARINE BAND ORCHESTRA
TO BE A FEATURE OF NATIONAL 4-H RADIO PROGRAMS

Beginning with the February national 4-H program, music-appreciation selections will be presented by the United States Marine Band. The schedule of dates for the national 4-H club hour for the next five months, and the selections to be presented on each date, are given below:

- February 4. - Well-known works of two American composers:
"Semper Fidelis" - John Philip Sousa.
"To a Wild Rose" - Edward MacDowell.
"Narcissus" - Ethelbert Nevin
- March 1. - American Indian stories told in music:
"By the Waters of Minnetonka" - Thurlow
Lieurance.
"From the Land of the Sky-Blue Water" -
Charles Wakefield Cadman.
- April 5. - Folk songs from other lands:
"Loch Lomond" - Scotland.
"Song of the Volga Boatmen" - Russia.
- May 3. - Favorite American songs:
"Dixie" - Dan Emmett.
"My Old Kentucky Home" - Stephen Collins
Foster.
- June 7. - Two famous marches:
"Pomp and Circumstance" - Elgar
"War March of the Priests" - Mendelssohn.

MUSIC APPRECIATION BY U. S. MARINE BAND (Cont'd)

Preceding the presentation of each selection, R. A. Turner, of the Office of Cooperative Extension Work, who is well known to club members throughout the Central States, will tell something either about the composition or its composer.

The time for these programs, which are given on the first Saturday of each month, is given below:

Eastern Standard Time,	1 p. m. to 1.45 p. m.
Central Standard Time,	12 noon to 12.45 p. m.
Mountain Standard Time,	11 a. m. to 11.45 a. m.
Pacific Standar Time,	10 a. m. to 10.45 a. m.

Forty stations are scheduled to carry the February program. These stations are listed below:

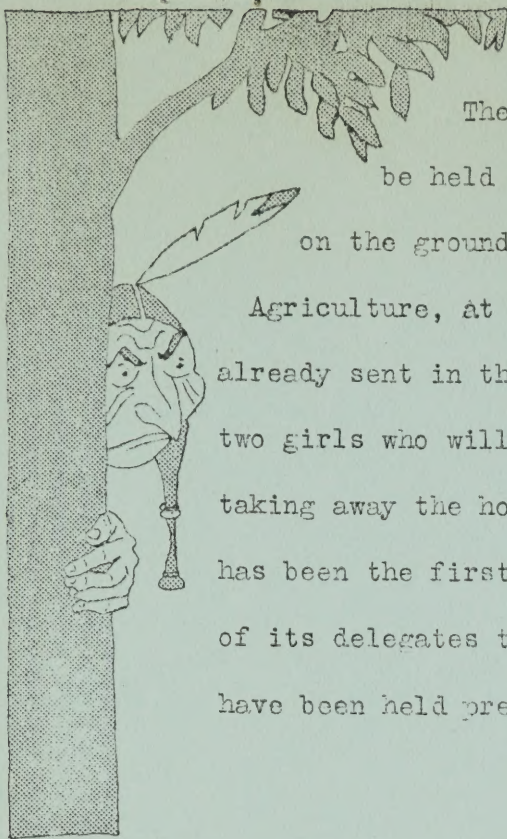
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Elizabeth Longmire, of Anderson County, Tenn., and Carroll C. Brannon, Spartanburg County, S. C., are the club members who will speak on the February program. Naoma Bennett, county home demonstration agent for Anderson County, Tenn., will discuss the 4-H club program as carried on in the county. I. W. Hill, field agent in club work for the Southern States, will discuss things that are going on among clubs throughout the United States.

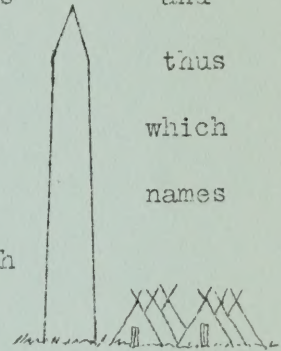
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BEGIN AND WIN!

Lose the day loitering, 'twill be the
same story
Tomorrow, and the next more dilatory;
Such indecision brings its own delays,
And days are lost lamenting over days.
Are you in earnest? Seize the very minute!
What you can do, or think you can, begin it!
Action has genius, courage, and magic
in it;
Only begin it, and the task grows easy;
Begin it, and the task will be completed.
--Goethe (1749-1832).



The Fourth National 4-H Club Camp will be held from June 18 to June 24, inclusive, on the grounds of the United States Department of Agriculture, at Washington, D. C. South Dakota has already sent in the names of the two boys and two girls who will represent that State, thus taking away the honors from Arkansas, which has been the first State to send in the names of its delegates to the three camps which have been held previously.



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The Modesto Kiwanis Club has contributed a \$100 scholarship to go each year to the best fourth-year club member in Stanislaus County, Calif., and to be used for the furtherance of the club member's education either in agriculture or home economics. The Kiwanis Club also sends the Stanislaus County delegates to the annual 4-H club convention at the university farm at Davis, Calif., each year. Henry D. Sylvester, assistant county agent, in speaking of the enthusiastic cooperation in 4-H club work by this organization, says, "Support of this kind from a group of business and professional men adds considerable to the incentive behind 4-H club work." On December 23, the second annual Kiwanis 4-H Christmas Party took place at Modesto. This party is held for the purpose of giving the 4-H club members of Stanislaus County an opportunity to meet the members of the Modesto Kiwanis Club.

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Bartholomew County, Ind., 4-H clubs held a county achievement-day banquet in December which was attended by 139 persons, 100 of whom were club members. The Kiwanis Club of Columbus, Ind., donated its rooms for the affair. An achievement program was given; club members completing projects in 1929 were presented with achievement pins by the county farm bureau; and local leaders were introduced to the group. A. V. Kessling, county club agent, reports that: "This is the first time such a program has ever been held in the county and the enthusiasm shown at that time indicates that it will become an annual affair with increased importance."

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4-H LEADER TRAINING SCHOOL AT CAMP VAIL
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One of the aims of the International 4-H Leader Training School in connection with Camp Vail at Springfield, Mass., is to provide training for older or former 4-H club members between 18 and 24 years of age, who desire to enter leadership work. In 1929, one boy and one girl came from each of the 32 States and the same number from each of several Provinces in Canada. The boys and girls were selected to represent their States because they were outstanding as club members. As a part of their training the boys and girls received daily instruction from 4-H leaders of State and National prominence and from specialists in psychology, sociology, and in other fields. In addition, group meetings of club boys and girls and State leaders were held periodically to discuss leadership problems and how to meet them.

As practical training for the prospective leaders, arrangements were made in advance for the group trainees after being divided into four groups to visit village schools to present 4-H club work to the school children. Later visits were made to homes in the surrounding areas to present club work to the parents of the boys and girls who might be interested in club work. The boys and girls in the training school were divided into groups of two who went to different rooms of the schools and talked to the children about club work; what it is and some things the work is accomplishing. Later the pupils were permitted to ask questions and to discuss some of their personal problems with the leaders. The pupils were not asked to decide immediately about joining a club. They were requested to think it over and report their decision within a day or two. The day's program was concluded with evening meetings, attended by both adults and children of the communities visited. Here programs consisting of music and talks by boys and girls of the training school were given on the values of 4-H club work.

In the afternoon arrangements were made for the trainees to visit homes in the outlying sections of the village to present club work to parents of prospective club members. The trainees had full charge of this work at each place visited. They demonstrated beyond question that the training they had received in club work had given them a background of experience and enabled them to present club work to both parents and pupils in an intelligent and impressive manner. The results of the interviews showed that approximately 400 new club members were enrolled during the two days following the campaign.

This is the most significant movement in training local club leaders that has come to our attention. Would it not be possible to use this same method in the States to train the older boys and girls of successful club experience as local leaders to help develop club work? Under such a plan local training centers would be established in the different States for periods of a week or 10 days. The experiment would be an interesting one and would seem to offer great possibilities for developing local club leadership.

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OVER THE WAVES

Radio Station KOAC, at the Oregon State Agricultural College, puts on a 4-H radio program every Monday night between 7.30 and 8 o'clock. R. C. Kuehner, assistant State club leader, in telling about this program, says, "We are extremely fortunate in having the assistance of the campus 4-H club, which consists of a group of livewire ex-4-H club members who are now attending the Oregon State Agricultural College. In the past they have assisted by putting on the entire program when the State staff was not in the office. The programs given consist of songs, talks, musical selections. From time to time 4-H club members from near-by counties are called in to put on the radio program." Mr. Kuehner reports that the campus 4-H club plans to broadcast a series of 4-H club plays, acting them out in much the same manner as is being done by some of the commercial broadcasting stations. The first event of this kind will be the broadcasting of a 4-H club initiation, and installation of officers. Instructional material and news of the club happenings in Oregon are also a part of this weekly 4-H radio program.

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The California Radio 4-H club put on the following program over Station KQW in November. This broadcast is given the fourth Friday of each month, at 7.20 p. m.

	Minutes
(1) "Striving On." First chorus. - Woodbridge Metcalf, extension forester.....	1
(2) Call to order. 4-H Club pledge. - Group.....	1
(3) Second verse of "Striving On." - Metcalf.....	1
(4) Business: What is the radio club? Correspondence. Special soap-box announcement by Metcalf	5
(5) Song, "We're for Club Work." - Group.....	4
(6) Talk on club work. - Maryetta Holman, home demonstration agent, Alameda County.....	3
(7) Song, "Mellow Moon." - group.....	3
(8) 4-H Club work in Lake County. - L. C. Barnard, county agent.....	4
(9) "Ploughing Song." - Metcalf.....	2
(10) 4-H Club work in Humboldt County. - H. B. Tucker, assistant county agent.....	4
(11) "Radio 4-H Club Song." - Metcalf.....	2
(12) 4-H Club activities at Pacific International.....	4
(13) Club game. - Metcalf.....	2
(14) Closing remarks. Question box.....	2
(15) Song, "Follow the Glean." - Group.....	1 1/2
(16) Sign off.....	1/2

OVER THE WAVES (Cont'd).

The 18 members of the Waterford 4-H clubs, namely, the Waterford Dairy Heifer Club and the Premier Strawberry Club, broadcast a special half-hour program of entertainment and business over radio station WEDH of the Erie Dispatch-Herald, Erie, Pa., on the evening of December 17. P. S. Crossman, agricultural extension representative for Erie County, in speaking of this program, says: "The finest of cooperation was obtained from the parents and other citizens of the Waterford community in the preparation of a program adapted to putting across to the people the idea of 4-H club work." Several practice sessions were held in advance of the broadcast because in addition to business the program consisted of club songs, club yells, and the club pledge. Thirty-five persons from Waterford community were present at the time of the broadcast, after which there was a social meeting, and a luncheon served by Dagmar Wulff, home-economics extension representative in Erie County.

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CLUB WORK IN HAWAII In her radio talk given as a part of the January
SUBJECT OF RADIO TALK national 4-H radio program, Madge J. Reese, field agent for the Western States, told of the customs of the boys and girls in Hawaii at Christmas. She also brought out the fact that there are now over 1,000 4-H club boys and girls in the Territory working on poultry, pig, calf, rabbit, garden, sugar cane, pineapple, clothing, canning, and food preservation projects, and that these boys and girls are of many races - Hawaiian, Japanese, Chinese, Samoan, Filipino, Portuguese, various mixtures of races, and Haoles (Haole is the term used for whites.) All of these club boys and girls speak English and are true Americans, and although the Territory is separated from the mainland by 2,100 miles of Pacific Ocean, the same American customs and ideals prevail. Club work is now conducted on four of the eight principal islands. At the University of Hawaii has been produced a beautiful yellow hibiscus, "Minnie Lee," which has been dedicated especially to Hawaii Boys' and Girls' Extension Clubs. The club members are planting this hibiscus in their yards and gardens. Miss Reese closed her talk with the following poem which was written by W. A. Lloyd, who is in charge of extension work in the Western States, while on furlough to Hawaii to organize extension work there.

ODE TO THE EXTENSION HIBISCUS

Here's to the royal Hibiscus
Whose bloom we all love so well,
The flower of dear old Hawaii,
Of all our gay beauties the belle.
One special hibiscus is dearest,
The best of the family by far,
The yellow "Extension" hibiscus
That glows like a bright morning
star.
It is warm as the sun of Hawaii,
This red-throated spirit of love;
Its petals like lips that are parted
To kisses that come from above.

O Hibiscus, yellow Hibiscus,
With the red and gold of the sun,
This flower for Extension is chosen
To stand for the good work begun.
Its five petals stand for the words
of our pledge,
The motto we hang on the wall,
"4-H's" plus one for Hawaii
And Hibiscus stands for them all.
Head, Heart, Hand, and Health
we are pledging
To work for Hawaii, our own.
So here's to the yellow hibiscus
Our Aloha for farm and for home.

ABOUT BABY BEEVES AND DAIRYING

Harry F. Ainsworth, associate State club leader, Indiana, reports that Vigo County, Ind., is away to a flying start in beef calf club work for 1930. The club was organized in September, and the calves were distributed the first week in October. The club has held four meetings, and the attendance at each has been 100 per cent. The Vigo County 4-H Club initiation team recently met with the beef calf club and gave the ritualistic services to all the members. The parents were present, and an oyster supper was served at the close of the program. Mr. Ainsworth says, "This club plans to get all possible benefits from club work, and County Agent Abbott, assisted by County Club Agent Redenbacher, is lending every effort to make this a model beef calf club."

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R. C. Kuehner, assistant State club leader, sends in a story about a six-year record made by Paul Boeckli, of Linnton, Oreg., in his calf club work with a Brown Swiss calf. This calf is Crissby's June Rose, registry number 15978. Paul bought this calf when the animal was 6 weeks old. She held the world's record in junior 4-year-old class for Brown Swiss with 615.37 pounds of butterfat in 10 months, and a milk record of 14,006½ pounds. "The show record made by the animal under Paul's care," says Mr. Kuehner, "was no less enviable than the production record." In 1924 and 1925 at the Multnomah County Fair, Oregon State Fair, and Pacific International, Crissby's June Rose took second; in 1926 at the Multnomah County Fair and the Oregon State Fair, again took second, but first at the Pacific International; in 1927 at the Multnomah County Fair and the Oregon State Fair, took first; in 1928 at the Multnomah County Fair and the Oregon State, first. The above record was all in the club classes. In the open class, in 1927, he took second at Gresham, Chehalis, Elma, and Walla Walla, and fourth at Yakima; first, senior, and grand champion at Salem, and first at the Pacific International; in 1928 the animal took first senior grand champion at Gresham, Burlington, Everett, Chehalis, New Westminster, Yakima, Canby, and Salem.

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The livestock sale at the South Dakota State Fair last September brought the club members \$32,332.39. At the sale there were 225 beeves, 78 pigs, and 23 sheep.

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Arthur Fulton, Orleans County, Vt., won a national essay contest on the subject, "What Happens to Milk in its Various Forms and Products Between the Farm and the Consumer's Table?" About 20 States were entered in this contest. A minimum of 25 contestants in any one State were required before that State was eligible to compete. The State winners were given a free trip to the National Dairy Exposition at St. Louis, and the national winner received a gold watch.

THE GAUNTLET CLUB

The largest exhibit of 4-H baby beeves ever shown is the claim of Nebraska, at the State fair in 1929. There were 667 on exhibit. Of this number 568 were sold at auction for \$79,832.40. The beeves averaged 909.72 pounds. These beeves were selected from 1,800 club animals on feed in Nebraska in 1929.

Here is a boy who has not missed a meeting of his club in nine years. His name is Victor Myers, and he is from Rockingham County, Va. He also has an outstanding record in dairy club work and in exhibiting his dairy animals.

George L. Farley, State club leader, found a subject for a challenge at a Hampshire County local leaders' meeting in Massachusetts. The roll call showed four leaders who had served 15 years, one who had served 10 years, and four who had served 9 years. There were 40 leaders in attendance at this meeting.

Linn County, Oreg., has only one Holstein calf club. This club has six members, and all of them are from the same family. Lloyd Grimes is 19 years old, owns 4 Holsteins and has been in club work nine years; Edgar, his brother, is 18, owns 11 Holsteins, and has been in the work 9 years; Zena, a sister, is 16 years old, owns 2 Holsteins, and has been in club work 7 years; Randall is 15, owns 4 animals, and has been 7 years in club work; John is 13, owns 2 Holsteins, and has been in club work five years; Elmer, the youngest, is only 11, owns one animal, and has been in club work 3 years. Lloyd and Edgar are attending Oregon State Agricultural College. Edgar will be remembered as the winner of the Moses Trophy in 1928.

THE GAUNTLET CLUB

Here is an individual record for corn club members to shoot at. It is the record of Wyly Campbell, of York County, S. C.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Yield in bushels</u>	<u>Profit</u>	<u>Prize</u>
1923	Corn	45.93	8.54	
1924	Corn	90.53	89.49	
1925	Corn	129. 3/4	166.00	1st State
1925	Poultry		11.00	
1926	Corn	105.1/7	71.39	1st State
1927	Corn	133.3		1st State
1928	Corn	66	76.80	
1928	Calf		43.30	

It will be noted that Wyly won first prize three years in succession. In 1928 he had bad luck, high waters which destroyed bottom land washing away about half of his cornfield.

Cotton club work in Franklin Parish, La., grew from a membership of 17 in 1928 to 117 in 1929. One hundred bales of cotton was produced on 117 acres by these club members. The purchase of seed and fertilizer for the plots was financed through the cooperation of all banks in the parish, six in number. Seven of the highest producing boys and girls made over 10 bales of lint cotton on 7 acres.

The Wilgus (Pa.) pig club recently completed its tenth consecutive year of work under the direction of County Agent J. W. Warner.

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At the Allamakee County, Iowa, third annual 4-H club banquet last fall, every 4-H boys' and girls' club of the county was represented on the program.

Organization

Four-H club members of Edgecombe County, N. C., have organized a junior council. The first meeting was held recently when they listened in on the national 4-H radio program.

A county 4-H club committee composed of men selected because of their interest in club work, has been formed in Randolph County, Ind., one man being obtained from each of the 12 townships. These men, with three vocational teachers and one older club member who is going to act as a local leader, were present at the first meeting. After discussion, the 1930 4-H club program was decided upon. It will include dairy calf club, beef calf club, pig club, and corn club work. The committee of 12 was subdivided into committees of three, each group to be responsible for details of one of the four projects. These men will be contact men in their townships for all club work and will assist in getting enrollment and leaders.

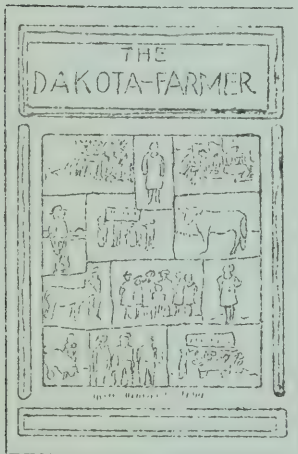
In Harford County, Md., a club has been formed composed of former club members and leaders who are not now actively connected with 4-H clubs in their community, to help club work in the county in general. Their first activity was to put on a program at Mt. Horeb Club. They are prepared to arrange several programs of this kind during the year and plan to assist in many other club activities. Dorothy Emerson, girls' club agent, says: "They have not yet selected a name but their motto seems to be "Everything to help, nothing to hinder."

For several years there has been an organization called the "Harry-On" Club, made up of girls only, former club members, at the Massachusetts Agricultural College. Last fall, however, it was decided to ask the boys at the college who were former 4-H club members, to join the club. At the first meeting of the year there was a get-together supper attended by 37 former 4-H club boys and girls. The club has monthly supper meetings and new members are initiated with the candlelight service. G. L. Farley, State club leader, reports that "The K.-O. club has had a determined existence," because of the difficulty of the members in finding a night when they all could meet without conflicting with the varied activities of college life. They are now trying supper meetings. They eat at 6 o'clock, and the meeting closes at 7.30. If it is necessary for a member to leave before 7.30, he has the privilege of doing so. The president, Doris Feltham, would be pleased to hear from any campus 4-H club in other colleges. Letters will reach her addressed to the Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst, Mass.

IN PRINT

THE DAILY CHRONICLE, Georgetown, British Guiana, South America, in the issue of July 10, tells about the formation of a 4-H club at Hope-town. This is the first 4-H club in British Guiana. It says in part: "Quite a number of gardens have recently sprung up - in most cases the boys and girls have been given a start in seeds - and we are also told that the children deposit in the school penny bank the proceeds of their sales of greens, besides providing themselves with readers and other necessities for use in schools, an appreciable help to their parents. The girls conduct a fancywork class, and it is hoped that when once this gets a-going it will be possible to have a sale of work at Christmas-tide. There can be no doubt that clubs of this nature will do much towards helping the agricultural development of the Colony by inculcating a love for such pursuits among the rising generation."

THE SOUTHSIDE VIRGINIA NEWS, Petersburg, Va., under the title "4-H Alumni Serve as Valuable Leaders at the Short Course - Accomplishments of those at Petersburg Camp last week inspire Southside club boys and girls to be leaders in their work, too," presented the stories of the achievements and service of 15 of these leaders, "as a recognition of what they have done and as a suggestion to others who catch a true spirit of the 4-H club."



THE DAKOTA-FARMER, in its September 15 issue, featured the Bon Homme County, (S. Dak.) achievement day on its cover page, using 12 photographs. The pictures featured were of a class of yearling heifers, a girl club member whose Spotted Poland China won first prize, the placing of awards in sow-litter club, a club member and his yearling Holstein which won first prize in her class, another club member and his prize-winning calf, a group of prize winners in the poultry clubs; a girl club member exhibiting the silver cup which she won in the showmanship contest; a pig club member and his first prize Poland China bear; a group picture of three winners in the calf showmanship contest; and a group photograph of a prominent poultry club in Bon Homme County.

A 65-page 4-H club annual, "THE BON HOMMEITE" edited and managed by a staff of Bonne Homme County (S. Dak.) 4-H club members, was distributed as a part of the events of the county round-up held November 16, closing the club year in the county. Stories of achievements in each club, photographs of leaders and county 4-H club officers - in fact, a complete chronicle of the year's work, make up this annual. Local advertising which was included in the annual, from 75 commercial enterprises in the county, furnished funds for publication.

OUR GIRLS

Thirty Motley County, Tex., 4-H club girls kept cost records on clothing last year. Ruth Bloodworth, home demonstration agent, is using these records as the basis for demonstrations in 1930 in budgeting clothing expenditures in advance. The records showed that the girls averaged \$41.54 each to clothe themselves in 1929. The highest cost recorded was \$96 by a girl who had to pay to have her sewing done and the lowest cost noted was \$16.70 by a girl who sewed all her own clothes. The records indicated that it costs more than twice as much to wear silk hose all the time as it does to wear the silk only on dress occasions and the cotton hose for school and sport wear. Ten girls who wore cotton hose for ordinary wear used an average of four pairs during the year, and two pairs of silk hose. The cotton hose cost 60 cents a pair and the silk hose averaged \$1.49 a pair, making the total cost for hose for the year \$5.36. The other 20 girls wore silk hose exclusively and used an average of nine pairs last year, costing a total of \$13.32. The number of pairs of silk hose varied from 6 to 22. The girls who kept these records ranged in age from 12 to 17 years.

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A COUNTY-WIDE 4-H CLUB FOR OLDER GIRLS A county-wide 4-H club for older girls, the first of its kind in New York State, has been organized in Otsego County. This club is to provide a means of interesting and holding in club work the older girl who finds herself either alone in her community, one of a group of very much younger girls, or unable to attend regular meetings because of being away at school or engaged in some kind of employment. Only girls above the age of 15, not in other regularly organized 4-H clubs, will be eligible. The club will meet six times during the year on Saturday and a special program is being planned for them. The main feature of the year's program will be "Better dressed girls" and "Better personal appearance for every girl." Lectures, talks, and demonstrations will be planned for the meetings to help on these subjects. Special problems in clothing will be the project for members to work on at home between meetings. Considerable emphasis will be placed on correct parliamentary procedure in the business meeting, and the plan is to have at least one interesting topic other than the project at each meeting. This club is the outgrowth of a special study of the needs of older girls and how to meet them, made by Edith Cleeland, girls' club agent of Otsego County, during the two years she has been in Otsego County. At the first meeting, the general plan of the club was outlined by Miss Cleeland. Mildred Stevens Essick, assistant State club leader, took charge of the organization, and Hazel L. Spencer, junior clothing specialist, gave a talk and demonstration on underwear suitable for the older girl. There were 25 girls present at this first meeting, from eight townships in Otsego County, ranging in age from 15 to 21 and having a record in club work of from one to eight years. Committees were appointed, and the organization of the club was completed at a meeting held in December. Otsego County has 29 former 4-H club girls teaching school in the county.

SUMMED UP

C. B. Wadleigh, State club leader, finds some interesting "high-lights" in comparing club work in New Hampshire in 1928 and 1929 with club work five years ago; a few of which are given below:

In 1929, 4-H club work was conducted in 385 communities, an increase of 56 communities or 15 per cent more than in 1928 and twice the number reached in 1925.

There were a total of 533 local volunteer leaders in 1929 who supervised the work of 457 clubs. This is more than twice the number of leaders and nearly double the clubs in the State in 1925.

The club membership increased 19 per cent in 1929 over 1928 to a total of 4,820. In addition to this number there were 706 other boys and girls who were reached with part of the 4-H program.

In 1925, there were only 114 members who had been in club work four or more years. This year there were 471, which is a 400 per cent increase. Fifteen club members entered the University of New Hampshire in 1925 and 31 in 1929.

The number of method and result meetings held at which instruction was given by the extension agents was increased 50 per cent over 1928 to a total of 2,155. There were only 433 in 1925.

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McCracken County, Ky., has a junior dewberry club of 38 members. This club was started in 1927. Each member planted 1,000 plants, making one-half acre. The plants cost \$15 per thousand and a banker advanced the money to pay for them, the club members giving notes to cover this cost. All but five of the members paid off their notes from sales of the first crop of fruit. In this same county, 30 boys and girls formed a raspberry club last spring, each member planting from 800 to 1,200 raspberry plants. The same plan of financing was used in this club as was used in the dewberry club.

"No organization that I know of is so fundamentally and economically sane as the 4-H clubs for rural boys and girls. Taking the boy and girl, leaving them on the farm and in the home and developing all with the club member. When one sees the 4-H members in their short courses, district meetings, and the national 4-H camp, one realizes that rural America is safe."

---W. P. Jackson, Field Agent of the Playground and Recreation Association of America.

THE INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION The International Livestock Exposition is a great educational institution. For more than a quarter of a century this exposition has been recognized as a show place, wherein are depicted the developments and advances made in the livestock industry of America.

Being an educational undertaking, the exposition takes cognizance of its responsibility to the farm youth of the land and, therefore, provides the opportunity for the participation of rural youth in the affairs of the exposition.

The National Club Congress is supplying the means and incentive of bringing farm youth to Chicago and to the exposition. The program of the National Club Congress is also educational in that the viewpoint and horizon of farm youth are widened by participation in its program.

Visitors at Chicago during these events have expressed the belief that the achievements of youth at both the congress and the exposition prove its ability to play its part in the developments and advances in farming and farm home-life, and that the youth of America that lives on the land is deserving of these opportunities.

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MARYLAND GIRLS SHOW PROGRESS Dorothy Emerson, girls' club agent, Maryland, writes that 4-H clubs in several counties in Maryland are showing progress in their work along the following lines:

- (1) Programs planned and directed by the girls. Part of the day is given over to discussing club problems with the girls and having them set the goals for the county work for the coming year.
- (2) Programs providing club members with material they can use at local clubs and achievement day meetings. For example, one county presented a model achievement-day program. This inspired local leaders, who had never undertaken such a program, to have an achievement day in their own clubs.
- (3) Recreation programs that help the girls to get acquainted with each other and to forget themselves. At several rallies the older girls began the meeting with games until all had arrived. In this way the girls felt better acquainted with one another before the program began.
- (4) An atmosphere of refinement maintained. The manager of a Y. W. C. A. cafeteria says that she marveled at the refinement of the 4-H girls who attended a banquet there, and that they were one of the best-behaved groups of girls she had seen at the Y for a long time.

CALENDAR

National Boys and Girls 4-H Club Camp,
U. S. Department of Agriculture,
Washington, D. C., June 18-24, 1930.

Annual Interstate Boys' and Girls' 4-H Club Congress,
National Western Stock Show,
Denver, Col., January 18 to 25, 1930.

4-H Club Department,
Fifth Annual Show and Sale of Registered Livestock,
Billings, Mont., January 13 to 15, 1930.

National 4-H Club Poultry Judging Contest,
Madison Square Garden Poultry Show,
New York City, January 18, 1930.

4-H Club Department,
Pennsylvania State Farm Products Show,
Harrisburg, Pa., January 20 to 25, 1930.

State 4-H Club Week,
University of Vermont,
Burlington, Vt., June 27 to July 3, 1930.

Sixth State 4-H Ham and Bacon Show,
Farm and Home Week,
College of Agriculture,
West Virginia University,
Morgantown, W. Va., February 3 to 7, 1930.

Six hundred and thirteen 4-H club boys in North Carolina produced 34,340 bushels of corn on 672 acres or an average of 51 bushels an acre, approximately three times the State's average. The highest yield in the State was made by John Alton Brown of Pasquotank County with a yield of 136 bushels at a cost of 47.7 cents per bushel.

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In a number of places, leader-training meetings are being held. South Dakota and Vermont are holding such conferences in practically all counties in each State during January and February. Meetings have been held in Snyder and Butler Counties, Pa., recently with members of the county extension executive committee and community leaders to discuss aims and objectives of club work and to plan for expansion of junior work in 1930. Similar meetings in other counties have been scheduled.

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